

Amendments to the Abstract

Replace the abstract with the following replacement abstract:

The invention relates to an An item of footwear, particularly an item of sports footwear, e.g. ski boot, cross-country ski boot, hiking footwear or the like[.] The has a leg of the item of footwear that is made of a textile material and that is joined, preferably adhered, to a preformed, for example, extruded toe cap, to a, for example, extruded counter, and to an anatomically shaped midsole, above all when a watertight item of footwear is desired.

For the examiner's convenience, a clean text version of the replacement abstract (67 words) is presented below:

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